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fourth, Highland Vintage 5th and Remington  
b. Time, 1:59 1/4.

ASHEVILLE BLOOD HORSE ASSOCIATION—SPRING  
MEETING—SECOND DAY—WEDNESDAY, MAY 2—FIRST

and a quarter; \$50 entrance, play or pay; the	
sociation to add \$500; second house to have \$100.	
<b>Starters.</b>	
W. Hunt Reynolds' b. h. Whisper, by Planet,	1
Sam Mattie Gross, by Lexington, aged.....	2
James Murphy's br. h. Bob Woolley, by imp Leam-	3
ington, aged item, by Lexington, & yearling.....	4
John H. Smith's ch. f. Charlie King, by Dan- ce, by Soveraign, & years old.....	5
J. Hawthorne's ch. g. Weatherby, by Planet, aged item, Weatherwitch, & years old.....	6
Atkins & Co.'s blk. h. Highwayman, by Ha- nabha, dam Belvidere, & years old.....	7

**STARTERS.**

**1** Baker's b. c., by West Roxbury, dam Ada Leonard, 3 years old.....

**2** Chestnut's ch. g. Jo Burt, by Bonnie Scotland, dam Nory Price.....

**3** Owens' ch. L. Springbranch, by Australian, dam Springbrook, 3 years old.....

**4** Swigert's b. c. Cairo, by Lexington, dam Cairnform, 3 years old.....

Time, 2:15.

**NAME DAY.**—Association Purse, \$150; dash of a mile

<i>Starters</i>	
1	Jack Baker's ch. h. Big Fellow, by War Dance, dam by Mahomet, 6 years old.
2	Swigert's b. a. Manikust, by Lever, dam Rebecca T. Price, 3 years old.
3	Owings' b. f. i. Classmate, by Flaut, dam Fall
4	Murphy's b. g. War Jig, by War Dance, dam aged.
5	McDavid's b. m. Highland Vintage, by Vandy, dam Camallo, 5 years old.
6	Johnson's ch. c. Remington, by Jack Malone, dam Mary Harp, 6 years old.

### OBITUARY.

**WILLIAM W. NEWCOMB, MINSTREL.**

William W. Newcomb was found dead at the City hospital yesterday morning, kneeling at his bedside with his face buried in his hands. Mr. Newcomb was well known and, at one time, a wealthy negro minstrel. He had been suffering for some months back at the effects of a compound fracture of both bones

ing above the ankle sustained during his recent engagement at Hooley's Minstrels in Brooklyn, was confined to his room. Messrs. Sandford and Merrill, of the same place, told the Coroner yesterday that they never suspected that Mr. Newcomb was in a critical condition. But yesterday morning they were called by one of the waiters, who told them that a serious illness was in the latter's mind. On going to the room they found the unfortunate sitting in the position above described, but quite dead. William W. Newcomb was fifty-three years old, a native of Utica, in this State, and one of the best men in the burnt cork business. He began

big dancing line of business, in which he became famous. He went to Boston and formed partnership with Bijah Thayer and organized a band minstrels, which travelled through the country. When he opened a show or concert hall at the corner of Court street and Hanover, in Boston, in 1852 he employed a fellow minstrel, at the 114 Broadway, after a short time he came to Boston in company with George W. Griffin, the well known basso. Christy's Minstrels, he organized "Long's War-bird" another troupe of burnt cork singers. He afterward became a member of Wood's Minstrels, Broadway; thence he went to "Morning Star"

“He” Rumney formed the band known as Newb & Rumsey’s Minstrels, which traveled through West Indies and Europe, until it broke up in Germany. William W. Newcomb then became a diamond ker, and for a long time in this city was reported to very wealthy. He finally failed, however, and returned to the stage. He was managed by Dan Bryant, same part owner of the Arlington. Newcomb Minstrel Troupe and since it was disbanded he had been looking wherever he got an engagement.

John Sherman, died suddenly Tuesday at his home in Chicago. Mr. Sherman was about forty years of age and was a graduate of the University of Michigan. He came to this city from St. Louis in 1899. He was an excellent underwriter. Mr. Sherman leaves a young wife and a young child. The insurance agents doing business in New York will have a meeting at which reasons in respect to Mr. Sherman's death will be considered.

JOHN FORSYTH.

Colonel John Forsyth, the well-known and distin-

lapsed editor of the Mobile *Register*, died at his residence in that city last evening at seven o'clock, aged fifty-six years. Colonel Forsyth belonged to an intellectual family, being the son of Hon. John Forsyth, intimate friend and supporter of President Jackson, and who occupied at various times the positions of Senator in Congress, Secretary of State and Minister to Spain. The son inherited much of the talent the father, though without the readiness the elder for public speaking. Colonel

er, in which he held the leading rank in his  
life. During the administration of President  
Forney he accepted the mission to Mexico, but  
this exception occupied during the years of his  
—most eventful ones in the history of the  
country—no public place, being fully content with the  
power and influence which his position as editor gave  
him. During the Know Nothing excitement of 1855  
Forney's name became familiar to the country  
as the champion of the rights of the colored people  
against the political heresies of dark lanternism, to the  
truth of which in the State he largely contributed.  
The memorable canvass of 1860, when the great

porter of Mr. Douglas and bitterly opposed the movement toward secession. Upon the election of Lincoln, however, he favored resistance, and used hands with Yancey and others in carrying the fight out of the Union, and thenceforward was one of the most redoubtable champions of the Confederate cause. His paper was widely circulated and his efforts were persistently devoted to firing Southern heart and to opposing every effort looking to an end of the struggle on the basis of compromise. For the duration of the war, has continued his championship of the democratic party, and to maintain and strengthen its action, as much as to the

### ASSAULTING AN OFFICER.

th street. Yesterday morning he saw Kennedy  
on the corner of Fourteenth street and avenue  
surrounded by a number of young men. The officer  
attempted to arrest Kennedy and was set upon by  
a cove of the gang, who kicked and beat him. Kennedy,  
however, succeeded, notwithstanding, in taking pri-  
or, cut him over the left eye with a pair of brass  
knuckles. Judge Murray yesterday afternoon  
committed Kennedy to \$1,000 bail to answer at General  
sessions.

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**ARRESTED ON SUSPICION.**

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Pooler, Joseph Fout and James Keenan to the clubs, on suspicion of being the murderers of John Han, who was found dead in the gutter, in the Ninth and, on Sunday morning. The inquest will be held Friday morning.

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### A FUNERAL WEDDING.

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[From the San Francisco Chronicle, April 23.]

An affecting deathbed scene occurred in Oakland on Monday evening, in the Sunnyside House, corner of

tion and Thirteenth streets. The young man, Roger Edward Murray, who then died from the effects of an accident that befel him last Thursday, reported to the *Chronicle* of Friday and Saturday, had been engaged to marry an interesting young lady at the same time; but just two weeks before the fatal accident the two had a disagreement about some trifling matter, and Mr. Murray released her from the engagement. Although exceedingly nettled, her love for him was not diminished, yet she encouraged the situation.

...kely, who pushed his suit and engaged the young lady to marry him, the wedding arranged to take place on Thursday morning, just as the expected guests were about to arrive. The bride began to robe herself in the presence of her former lover who brought into the house in a dying condition. The moment she heard that she rushed to the bedside of the dying man, and, with eyes streaming with tears and voice tremulous with emotion, she brushed aside physicians and attendants, and clasping her arms about the neck of her former sweetheart, pressed his pale lips to her own and kissed him repeatedly, all the while calling him by his first name in tones the most tender and pathetic.

of the wounded man and the lovers parted for ever, she to finish her dressing for the altar and he to wait for a few hours before passing over the river with her. At this time the physicians had not completed their examination so as to ascertain the extent and fatal character of Murray's injuries, but soon afterwards, as Dr. Foulkes was leaving the house, he saw the gay bridal party in the parlor and remarked, "Ladies, enjoy yourselves and be gay, it is a bridal party, but you are going to have a wedding and funeral from the house almost at the same time." And it was even so. George Edward Murray was a native of England, aged thirty-two

child, a daughter six years of age, now residing with her mother's sister in Sacramento. He resided many years in Sacramento, leaving that city three years ago for the town of Alameda, where he lived until about six months ago, when he went to Oakland.